



LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

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The Honorable Board of Directors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Directors:

**ALLOCATE COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL
DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZE AWARD AND ADMINISTRATION OF A GRANT TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR
THE LOS AMIGOS GOLF COURSE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate \$65,000 County Excess Funds available to the Fourth Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find the proposed Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act because the proposed project consists of rehabilitation of deteriorated structures at an existing facility and minor alterations to land and for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the Project.
2. Allocate \$65,000 in County Excess Funds, available to the Fourth Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, for a grant to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project.
3. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, in his capacity as the Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to award a grant in the amount of \$65,000 for the Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project; and, if applicable conditions have

been met, to administer the grant as of the date of this action and pursuant to procedures in the Procedural Guide for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects; otherwise funds shall remain in the Excess Funds account.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate \$65,000 in County Excess Funds, available to the Fourth Supervisorial District pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), for a grant to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project.

The proposed project includes site preparation, re-shaping of approximately 33,000 square feet of existing bunkers and installation of drainage improvements, two new sand bunkers totaling approximately 2,000 square feet, demolition of existing cart path and parking curbs and installation of approximately 17,000 square feet of new concrete path and approximately 530 linear feet of concrete curbing. In addition, the proposed project will include installation of two dry wells, and landscape trees, sand and sod.

The total project cost is estimated at \$67,984. The recommended \$65,000 of County Excess Funds will be supplemented with \$2,984 in Los Amigos Golf Course Trust Funds.

In a related item on today's agenda, the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department), which is a designated recipient of County Excess Funds under the 1996 Proposition, requests your Board's approval to apply for the \$65,000 in County Excess Funds to the Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action will further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1), by improving and enhancing recreational opportunities at Los Amigos Golf Course in the Fourth Supervisorial District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grant, in the amount of \$65,000, is budgeted in the Fourth Supervisorial District portion of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. The Department has met this requirement.

The 1996 Proposition provides a method for determining each fiscal year the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended grant will be funded from the Excess Funds available to the Fourth Supervisorial District for County projects.

The Board may establish additional conditions on grants of Excess Funds. The Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation would be authorized to award a grant to the Department, and to reimburse eligible costs incurred prior to execution of the project agreement, when all applicable conditions have been met. Any funds allocated by the Board, but not encumbered by award of a grant contract in the same fiscal year, shall be available for allocation by the Board in the following fiscal year.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15301 (d) and 15304 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1 (c) and 4 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the proposed project consists of rehabilitation of deteriorated structures at an existing facility and minor alterations to land.

The proposed project above includes no expansion of an existing use, and will not involve the removal of healthy, mature trees. Additionally, the proposed project is not in a sensitive environment, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposed project's records.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

A Grant Project Agreement will be entered into and administered under authority delegated to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009, when all applicable conditions of the grant have been met. The Project Agreement will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These actions will have no impact on any other projects funded by the RPOSD but are required so that the Department may proceed with the Los Amigos Golf Course Improvements Project, if all applicable conditions are met.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects/Debt Management Division, and one to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Russ Guiney", with a stylized, flowing script.

RUSS GUINEY

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office
County Counsel
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors